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Knoxville, TN

177. University of Tennessee Libraries at Knoxville

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Overview:
The rare books collection, totaling close to 60,000 volumes, includes books dating from 1481 to the present from presses in both Europe and America. Scholars have access to rich primary research material in the over 3,000 cataloged titles in the Special Collections Manuscripts collection. This collection includes literary manuscripts, business records, political files, and private papers that relate to many topics, including Tennessee and the Southeast. Noteworthy collections include material on railroads and urban transit. Information on holdings may be found at: http://www.lib.utk.edu/special/guides/transportation.pdf

Martin, TN

178. University of Tennessee at Martin

Special Collections
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Martin, TN 38238

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Overview:
Collections of unpublished personal and family papers, business records, and individual documents. Manuscripts acquired by the department are regarded as having historical value.

Nashville, TN
179. Tennessee State Library and Archives

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Hours: M-Sat 8 am–6 pm; Manuscripts Reading Area: M-F 8 am–4:30 pm

Overview:
The Tennessee State Library and Archives serves Tennessee government and all the state’s citizens by acquiring, organizing, preserving, and making accessible public and historical records and other resources; by providing statewide consultation services in support of public libraries and local archives; and by offering alternative formats for reading for those Tennesseans unable to use standard print material.

Noteworthy collections:
  Jo Conn Guild was the president of Tennessee Electric Power Company of Chattanooga. This collection comprises a record of his company’s legal challenge of the congressional act creating the Tennessee Valley Authority. Included are legal documents from all three levels of federal courts and the final decision from the Supreme Court of the U.S., which upheld the TVA act and resulted in the sale of the electric company’s properties.
- Tennessee Central Railway Company Records. 52 lin. ft.
  These records are a part of the record of the east-west railroad
  through Tennessee that operated between Hopkinsville, KY, and
  the Harriman-Emory Gap. Judge William E. Miller of the U.S.
  District Court, Nashville, TN, donated the collection to the Ten-
  nessee State Library and Archives.